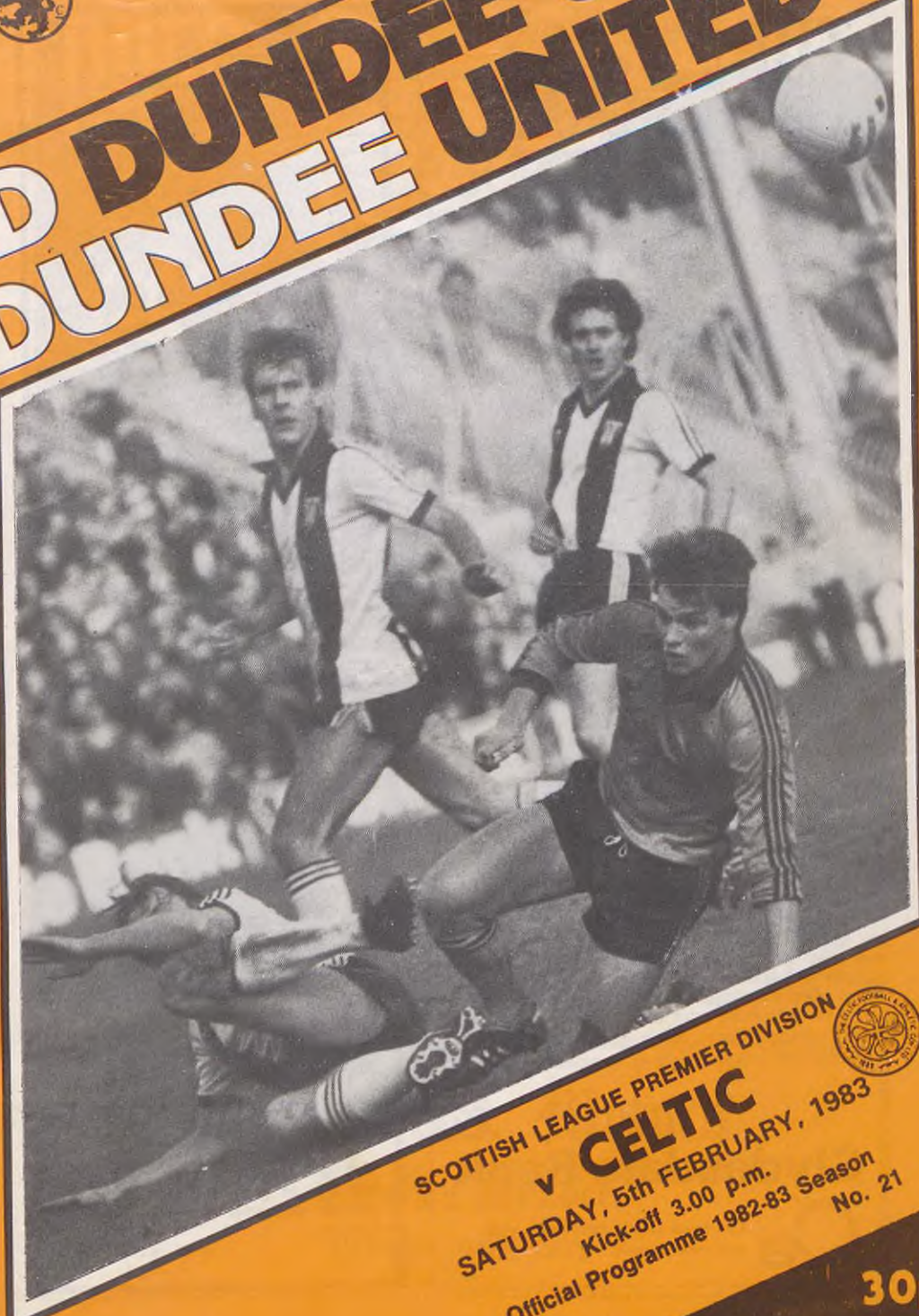




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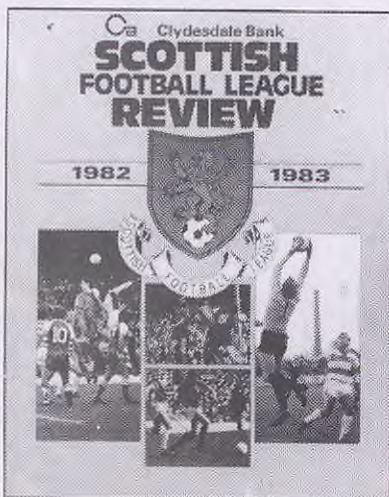


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### COVER PHOTO:

Young striker John Clark's attempt at goal is foiled by a St Mirren defender in our last home outing.

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## Jim's Spot

The disappointment of last Saturday's Cup dismissal at the hands of St Mirren has been felt by everybody at Tannadice. Therefore it is doubly important, as we face Scotland's best side, that we try and repay the magnificent support you have given us this season.

Nobody can accuse us of having had it easy this season. Our cup involvement has pitched us against teams like PSV in the U.E.F.A. Cup, Aberdeen and Celtic in the League Cup and an away draw at Love Street can hardly be classified as other than tricky. In fact, only one of our last 10 Scottish Cup ties has been played at Tannadice. Whilst I am sure most of you will not agree with me, I would gladly have traded some of our European glory nights this season for progress in last week's cup tie, so highly do I view success in domestic football.

I was surprised that the media made such scant reference to the number of fouls conceded by St Mirren. We must have been awarded around 30 free kicks which works out at one every three minutes. That was one of the main reasons we never struck our usual rhythm. The players, unfortunately cannot leave it solely to the referee in such instances. Our front players in particular must be braver, showing greater determination when intimidated. No side is going to stand back and allow us to play, so we must keep playing no matter the fouls and strive to retain our usual fluency instead of losing our confidence when faced with disruptive tactics as has occurred recently.

In the final analysis the remedy to our problems lies in our own hands, and the fluency for which we are noted has to be earned. However, another factor in our loss of form of late has been that the front men haven't been receiving the supply from the back and midfield that they are entitled to expect.

Today is Celtic's third visit of the season to Tannadice and I am sure everyone who saw the previous two encounters could only compliment Billy McNeill's side on their entertainment value. When facing Celtic you can expect nothing other than a difficult but attractive match and today's meeting should be no exception. I only hope that victory goes to us.



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Davie Dodds blasts home his first goal against St Mirren despite the efforts of Mark Fulton. Other Saints in view are Walker, Abercrombie and McAvennie.

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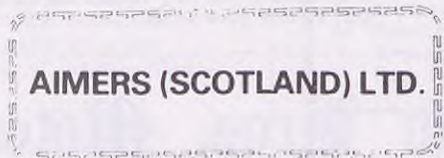
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# MATCH SUMMARIES

MATCH	RANGERS	HIBERNIAN
GROUND	Ibrox	Easter Road
DATE	Saturday, 8th January	Saturday, 15th January
ATTENDANCE	15,200	5,500
CONDITIONS	Windy, dry, pitch perfect	Gale force wind, pitch heavy.
FIXTURE	Premier Division, 19th Match	Premier Division, 20th Match
RESULT GOAL SCORERS AND TEAMS	<p><b>UNITED (1) 1</b> (Reilly 12 mins.) McAlpine, Stark (sub. Holt 59 mins.), Maipas, Gough, Hegarty, Narey, Bannon, Milne (sub. McNeill 78 mins.), Reilly, Kirkwood, Dodds.</p> <p><b>RANGERS (1) 2</b> (Prytz 41 mins., Kennedy 62 mins.) McCloy, McKinnon, Redford, Stevens, McClelland, Bett, Prytz, Russell (sub. Cooper 45 mins.), Kennedy, Black, Johnstone. Sub. not used: McDonald.</p>	<p><b>UNITED (0) 0</b> McAlpine, Holt, Phillip, Gough, Hegarty, Narey, Bannon, Britton (sub. Stark 87 mins.), Reilly (sub., Milne 56 mins.), Sturrock, Dodds.</p> <p><b>HIBS (0) 0</b> Rough, Sneddon, Turnbull, Welsh, Rae, McNamara, Conroy, Rice, Duncan, Thomson (sub., Irvine 85 mins.), Murray, substitute not used, Jamieson.</p>
PRESS COMMENT	<p><b>SUNDAY POST</b> "United beaten 3-0 by Aberdeen last Monday, simply couldn't do what Rangers did — pick themselves up, dust themselves down, and start all over again."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY STANDARD</b> "United were in one of their more maddening moods. They took the lead yet slumped to the second defeat of the week because they could not get angry or combative."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY EXPRESS</b> "United's goal was scored by virtue of a marvellous cross-field ball from Ralph Milne which found Paul Hegarty on the right. The United skipper cut it back into the middle and though Davie Dodds failed to make solid contact with the chance at the near post, Reilly made no mistake from close in."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY MAIL</b> "Only Paul Hegarty and Richard Gough showed any real form in the United side."</p>	<p><b>SUNDAY STANDARD</b> "The two sides were a contrast. Hibs had the motivation but no guile. United had the guile but their appetite for the Premier League title has disappeared."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY PEOPLE</b> "Hibs failed by a hairs-breadth to break out of their amazing draw sequence. They landed their eighth draw in 11 home games."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY EXPRESS</b> "The near gale force wind ruined any chance of precise football and, of course, the ball players suffered most. However, nobody could complain about lack of excitement in that astonishing second half."</p> <p><b>SUNDAY MAIL</b> "With 66 minutes gone, referee Ferguson awarded Hibs a penalty for hand ball by Eamonn Bannon, but 'keeper McAlpine dived to block Gordon Rae's kick and keep the sides level."</p>

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This afternoon's mascot is Stephen Craib. Stephen, aged 11, attends Rosebank Primary School, Dundee.

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# CLUB NEWS

## CHARTER TRIP TO PRAGUE

If anyone wishes to travel with the official United party for our first leg U.E.F.A. tie with Bohemians in Prague at the end of the month they are advised to contact the club secretary, Mrs Lindsay, as soon as possible. Visas are required for the trip and to allow for any hold-ups so any fans intending to travel should contact Tannadice before next Wednesday.

## PAISLEY JINX

Love Street is highly unlikely to top the poll as the favourite ground of the United playing staff after the second successive cup exit in Paisley within 11 months. That defeat in fact maintained a dismal cup record at Paisley where four visits in 1963-4, 1976-7, 1981-2 plus this season have failed to yield even a replay for United fans to cheer. As St Mirren were responsible for United's cup exit in 1978-9 it also means that the Buddies have ended any Tannadice cup ambitions a remarkable four times in the last seven seasons including a hat-trick of third round defeats. Another oddity is that the three other cup campaigns have all ended at the hands of Rangers to produce this strange looking sequence of cup defeats.

76-77—St Mirren (A) L 1-4 (3rd Rd.)

80-81—Rangers (N) L 1-4 (Replayed final)

77-78—Rangers (N) L 0-2 (Semi-final)

81-82—St Mirren (A) L 0-1 (Quarter-final)

78-79—St Mirren (H) L 0-2 (3rd Rd.)

82-83—St Mirren (A) L 0-1 (3rd Rd.)

79-80—Rangers (A) L 0-1 (4th Rd.)

Incidentally the last side outwith the Govan and Paisley district to perpetrate United's cup exit was Hibs who won a 3rd replay here at Tannadice by 2-0.

## AWAY TRAVEL

The Supporters' Association's offices in Tannadice Street will be open before and after this afternoon's match for bookings for next Saturday's trip to Rugby Park. The usual prices of £3 (non-members) and £2 (members) apply and this will be your last opportunity to reserve a seat. Looking further ahead, the Supporter's Association will be holding their Player of the Year dance at the Inverdale Hotel, Coupar Angus, on Saturday, 14th May, the final Saturday of the league season. Tickets for this function will be £5 and selling arrangements will be announced in due course.



## LEAGUE DEBUT

It has been quite a week for John Clark, United's reserve striker. His total of over 30 goals in all matches this season earned him inclusion in the squad for our league meeting with St Mirren and it had been manager Jim McLean's intention to give John a place on the substitutes' bench. That plan had to be abandoned and the young striker was given his first league outing when Paul Sturrock had to call off following overnight illness. John's only previous first team experience was as a late substitute in the home leg against Viking. The 18-year-old from Edinburgh did well in his first taste of league football and though he didn't score, came very close to doing so on a couple of occasions. John retained his place in the squad last week and also made his first appearance in the Scottish Cup as a substitute for injured Billy Kirkwood 20 minutes from time. John, originally an 'S' form signing, seems certain to be pushing for inclusion at first team level on a more regular basis in the future.

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# FLASHBACK . . . .

## 5 YEARS AGO

SATURDAY, 4th FEBRUARY, 1978.

George Fleming was United's match winner as Jim McLean's men regained third spot in the Premier Division. George's second half goal brought United's first away victory in six outings.

Crowd 3231.  
AYR UNITED: Sproat, Rodman, Murphy, Fleming, Hyslop, Hannah, McCall, McSherry, Masterton, McLaughlin, Sim (sub. Christie).

UNITED: McAlpine, Rolland, Kopel, Fleming, Hegarty, Narey, Sturrock, Kirkwood, Bourke (sub. G. Wallace, Addison, Payne).

## 10 YEARS AGO

SATURDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, 1973.

The manner of United's victory at Tynecastle may have left a little to be desired but it was none the less more than welcome after a cuo exit at the hands of Rangers the previous week. Pat Gardner hit United's first half goal and Kenny Cameron wrapped up both points with a goal after the break.

Crowd 7000.  
HEARTS: Garland, Sneddon, Jeffries, Clunie, Gallacher, Oliver, Park, Ford, Brown, Murray (sub. Carruthers).

UNITED: McAlpine, Rolland, Kopel, Markland, D. Smith, W. Smith, (White), Cameron, Fleming, Gardner, Knox, Traynor.

## 20 YEARS AGO

SATURDAY, 2nd FEBRUARY, 1963.

Despite the harsh winter Somerset Park had escaped the blizzard conditions prevailing elsewhere and was hard but flat for Scotland's only cup tie that day. United's greater understanding formed the basis for their passage to the third round. Jim Irvine was the matchwinner. The big fellow opened the scoring midway through the first half with a viciously swerving 20-yarder. Gallagher kept United at bay until he was eventually beaten by Irvine again in the 55th minute. Jim Kilgannon pulled one back 11 minutes later but Ayr's last gasp rally failed to reap reward.

Crowd 4787. Receipts £825.  
AYR UNITED: Gallagher, Burns, Milton, Stewart, McGuigan, McIntyre, Herron, McMillan, Jones, Kilgannon, McCubbin.

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# IN RESERVE . . . .

Over the past fortnight the Tannadice second team have emerged as clear cut leaders of the Reserve League (East) and made further progress in the 2nd XI Cup at the expense of Raith Rovers.

Below is an up-date on the three recent Reserve outings.

## FRIDAY, 22nd JANUARY ARBROATH RES. 0, UNITED RES. 1

(Reserve League East)

This proved to be a battle between United and the Arbroath defence. Although they dominated throughout, it took the Reserves until the 85th minute to pierce a stubborn home rearguard. Derek Murray's free kick was only partially cleared and Gary McGinnis swivelled to hit a fine shot through a ruck of players past an unsuspected Robertson.

UNITED: Gardiner, McGinnis, Murray, Beaumont, W. Smith, Phillip, Taylor, Britton, Reilly, McDaid, McNeil.

Subs. not used: Robb, Pollock.

## TUESDAY, 25th JANUARY UNITED RES. 2, RAITH ROV. RES. 1

(2nd XI Cup)

This was a closely fought 2nd Round tie which appeared destined for extra time until John Clark hooked home a McNeil cross with 17 minutes left. Even then Raith were unlucky when an Addison shot crashed against the post five minutes from time. United opened the scoring in the 53rd minute when Alex Taylor volleyed home after a strong run into the box by Iain Phillip. Raith, with four ex-United players—Alan Forsyth, Bobby Robinson, Ian Steen and Ian Ballantyne—drew level when the latter of that quartet scored from close range in the 58th minute.

UNITED: Gardiner, McGinnis, Murray, Beaumont, W. Smith, Phillip, Taylor, Britton, Reilly, Clark, McNeil.

Subs. not used: McDaid, Pollock.

## SATURDAY, 29th JANUARY ABERDEEN RES. 1, UNITED RES. 2

(Reserve League East)

This was a good overall performance against one of the country's best reserve elevens. United took the lead after 20 minutes when John McNeil scored from a John Reilly assist. Although United were on top they faded a little after the interval and Angus equalised for Aberdeen in 55 minutes. United, however, quickly regained the initiative and Alex Taylor was only denied by a tremendous save by Gunn before John Reilly converted a cross from Denis McDaid a quarter of an hour from the end. This win maintained United's 100% record after 4 games in the Reserve League East.

UNITED: Gardiner, McGinnis, Murray, Beaumont, Smith, McDaid, Taylor, Britton, McNeil, Reilly, Trialist (sub. Pollock 70 mins.).

Sub. not used: Robb.

### RESERVE LEAGUE CUP

Aug. 14—St Johnstone (A)	D 1-1
Aug. 17—Dundee (H)	W 2-1
Aug. 19—Arbroath (H)	W 3-1
Aug. 23—Aberdeen (A)	W 2-0
Oct. 7, Semi-final—Hibs (A)	W 2-0

### 2nd XI CUP

Nov. 29—Hibs (A)	W 2-0
Jan. 25—Raith (H)	W 2-1

### PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE

Sept. 4—Aberdeen (A)	L 0-1
Sept. 11—Rangers (H)	L 0-3
Sept. 17—Hibs (H)	W 4-0
Sept. 25—St Mirren (A)	L 0-2
Oct. 2—Celtic (A)	L 1-2
Oct. 9—Kilmarnock (H)	W 2-0
Oct. 15—Morton (A)	W 4-1
Oct. 22—Motherwell (H)	W 1-0
Oct. 29—Dundee (A)	W 1-0
Nov. 5—Aberdeen (H)	D 1-1
Nov. 20—Hibs (A)	D 0-0
Nov. 27—St Mirren (H)	W 1-0
Dec. 3—Celtic (H)	D 0-0
Dec. 11—Kilmarnock (A)	W 5-0
Dec. 17—Morton (H)	W 6-0
Dec. 28—Motherwell (A)	L 0-1
Dec. 30—Dundee (H)	W 3-1

### RESERVE LEAGUE (EAST)

Jan. 5—Raith (A)	W 4-1
Jan. 13—Hibs (H)	W 4-1
Jan. 21—Arbroath (A)	W 1-0
Jan. 29—Aberdeen (A)	W 2-1

### GOAL SCORERS

#### PREMIER RESERVE LEAGUE (29)

11—Clark; 3—Galloway, Reilly; 2—Milne, Taylor; 1—Beaumont, Britton, McDaid, McGinnis, McNeil, Page, Payne, P. Smith.

#### LEAGUE CUP (10)

3—A. Taylor; 2—J. Reilly; 1—I. Britton, J. Clark, I. Gibson, J. Holt, P. Smith.

#### 2nd XI Cup (4)

2—Taylor; 1—Clark, Holt.

#### RESERVE LEAGUE EAST (11)

3—McNeil; 2—Clark; 1—Holt, Kirkwood, McGinnis, Milne, Reilly, Taylor.

### RESERVE LEAGUE (EAST)

(Correct up to and including Saturday, 24th January)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
UNITED	4	4	0	11	3	8	
Aberdeen	4	3	0	1	8	4	6
Dundee	3	2	0	1	8	7	4
Cowdenbeath	3	1	2	0	8	7	4
Dunfermline	3	1	1	1	3	4	3
Raith Rovers	4	0	2	2	6	6	2
St Johnstone	1	0	1	0	5	1	
East Fife	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
Arbroath	3	0	1	2	2	4	1
Hibs	3	0	0	3	5	11	0



# UNITED DIARY

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7 — Paul Sturrock's injured foot continues to cause concern and he'll be given until the last minute to recover before the trip to Ibrox.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 — Despite the boost of an early lead provided by John Reilly, United ended up on the wrong end of a 2-1 scoreline as Robert Prytz and Alan Kennedy gave Rangers their life-line.

MONDAY, JANUARY 10 — Saturday's defeat has its repercussions as Jim McLean shapes his plans for the visit to Easter Road. Changes will be made.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12 — Ian Britton is one of the players likely to be included in Saturday's team whilst Paul Sturrock's injury continued to show improvement.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13 — John Holt will play at Easter Road but before formulating the rest of the side Jim McLean was waiting to assess the performances of the Reserves who beat Hibs 4-1 at Tannadice in the Reserve League East.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14 — Maurice Malpas will be "rested" against Hibs though he will still be in the pool. A total of 17 players were named to travel.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15 — Gale-force winds ruined the game at Easter Road. Although Hibs had a goal disallowed and missed a penalty, United were well worth a point after striking the woodwork no less than four times.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17 — No serious injuries were apparent after Saturday's match which is good news as United are down to 28 players. In the evening the Reserves drew 0-0 at Forfar in a Tayside Reserve League match.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20 — Paul Hegarty received a gallon bottle of whisky and a £200 cheque as reward for being voted McKinlay's Football Personality of the Month.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 — There was a bad blow for St Mirren's visit when Eamonn Bannon suffered a leg strain which ruled him out of tomorrow's match. The Reserves beat Arbroath 1-0 at Gayfield.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 — A three-goal burst in the first twenty minutes put United on the road to their first home victory of the new year. Billy Kirkwood and a brace from Davie Dodds staved off a St Mirren fightback which saw the Paisley side cut that deficit to a single goal margin.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 — Paul Sturrock, a late call-off on Saturday, is fit again and Eamonn Bannon should also return. The Reserves defeated Raith 2-1 at Tannadice in the 2nd XI Cup.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 — Eamonn Bannon, subject to no setbacks, should return for Saturday's cup tie at Love Street. John Clark will again be in consideration for a place.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28 — Out of last week's squad are Ian Britton and John Reilly. Iain Phillip is drafted into the cup squad.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29 — The Love Street hoodoo strikes again as Doug Somner's 28th minute goal K.O.'s United's cup hopes. Better news from on the Reserve front as the second string triumph at Pittodrie to retain leadership of the Reserve League East.

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